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In re application of:

Robert L. Alldredge

Serial No.

Filed

For: Method and Apparatus for Secured

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## PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

37 CFR 1.102(c)

Your petitioner, Robert L. Alldredge, by and through the undersigned attorney, requests that the United States patent application identified above and filed herewith be made special under 37 CFR 1.102(c) and Section 708.02(IV) of the M.P.E.P. and be given advanced examination.

The facts supporting this request is that petitioner, who is a sole inventor and applicant, is 65 years of age or more. Petitioner's declaration of age is attached and incorporated by reference.

No fee is required for a petition relating to applicant's age.

Respectfully submitted,

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